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Thanks

.. to those parents, and grandparents, who supported our cross country runners this week .. and Mr Schuster and team for organising such a fantastic event.

.. to Peter Nicholson, Rick Kivell, Kim Phillips, Pam Locke, Peter Graham, Stefanie Menashe for your sterling work as science fair judges.

People of the week

.. Those children who ran their hearts out at cross country this week.

.. Our Famine participants who received a bronze award this week for collecting \$1,700 for this worthy cause.

.. Our Science Fair participants for a memorable fair ... and their parents for their help along the way .. and Mr D and Mrs Donaldson for all your hard work over recent months.

Term Events

Please pencil the following dates into your calendar (a few are tentative).
We will advise of further dates as these come to hand.

12 August	International Schools Mathematics Competition
14 August	Taniwha Challenge (pp 15.8)
25 August	Central Northland Science Fair
26 August	Whangarei Cross Country
8 September	AIMS games
10 September	Year 7 Boostrix vaccination
18 September	Northland Cross Country
22/23 Sept	School production
26 September	Final day of term 3

Our current virtue is ENTHUSIASM

Please remember to ...

1. To discuss this material with your children
2. To talk about a time(s) when you have practised "enthusiasm" in your life
3. Maybe set some targets
4. Advise us of any special successes

Some reminders from the last newsletter

.. Calf Club Day has been scheduled for Thursday 23 October.

.. the senior Science Fair Prizegiving will be held in the school hall 6:30 PM Tuesday 5 August. Children receiving prizes will be advised beforehand, but all are welcome at the prize giving

.. a reminder that the year 7 and 8 technology bus leaves school at 9:00 AM on the dot .. children need to be here at 8:15 please for roll check.

.. if you still have your child's portfolio at home please send this to school next week.

.. Calf Club ... have you thought about your calf, lamb or pet. More to follow soon

.. didn't make interviews? A reminder that teachers are highly available by appointment.

School Cross Country

We are pleased to announce the following placings. Congratulations to all of these children.

Age Group	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
12 Yr Girls	Michelle	Natasha	Tegan	Tayla	Seung	Chae Yeol
12 Yr Boys	Angus	Caleb	James	Samuel	Kaya	
11 Yr Girls	Sarah	Aimee	Ellie	Xanthe	Magan	Georgia
11 Yr Boys	Caleb	Campbell	Heinrich	Oliver	Johnathan	Oliver
10 Yr Girls	Brooke	Emma	Jade	Olivia	Lily	Caitlyn
10 Yr Boys	Joseph	Charlie	Tama	Isaac	Michael	Evan
9 Yr Girls	Amy	Mya	Emily	Jynaia	Tahi-Ora	Taylor
9 Yr Boys	Thomas	Matthew	Trent	Conal	Elijah	Ethan
8 Yr Girls	Eve	Shiphrah	Nicole	Caitlin	Brianna	Dannielle
8 Yr Boys	Connan	Ben	Sage	Brayden	Jacob	Nathan
Yr 3/4 Girls	Esther	Charlee	Melissa	Alex	Paige	Summer
Yr 3/ Boys	Tokomauri	Jayden	Kiran	Ephraim	Jack	Zac
Yr 2 Girls	Caprese	Stori	Mila	Erica	Greah	Alyssa
Yr 2 Boys	Dylan	Caden	Tremarn	Jack	Kade	Riley
Yr 0 / 1 Girls	Kaylee	Summer	Isabelle	Lydia	Olivia	Bradee-Jayne
Yr 0/ 1 Boys	Conrad	Leon	Van	Connor	Te Aarahi	Jahrome

This year's Cross Country was sponsored by Alastair Rickey Decorating

Science and Technology Fair Representatives

Congratulations to the following students who will be representing our school at the forthcoming Science and Technology Fair ..

<i>Action Research</i>	<i>Investigation</i>	<i>Technology</i>
Yr 8 Town Rep - Seheun	Town Rep Town Rep - Oliver	Town Rep - Ella
Yr 8 Town Rep - Angus	Town Rep - Xanthe	Town Rep - James
Yr 8 Town Rep - Samuel	Town Rep - Caleb	
Yr 8 Town Rep - Tayla	H/Commend - Ethan	
Yr 8 Town Rep - Sarah	H/Commend - Campbell	
Yr 8 Town Rep - Sarah	H/Commend - Magan	
Yr 8 Town Rep - Georgia		
Yr 8 H/Commend - Kaya		
Yr 8 H/Commend - Tegan		
Yr 8 H/Commend - Natasha		
Yr 8 H/Commend - Michelle		
Yr 8 H/Commend - Tama		
Yr 7 Town Rep - Johnathan		
Yr 7 Town Rep - Isaac		
Yr 7 Town Rep - Grace		
Yr 7 Town Rep - Megan		
Yr 7 Town Rep - Oliver		
Yr 7 H/Commend - Dayna		
Yr 7 H/Commend - Aimee		
Yr 7 H/Commend - Hayden		

(Parents of these students can expect further information over the next few weeks).

Taniwha Challenge

Consents have been issued to all interested children year 4 and up. Please return to school by Monday. Children will travel by bus. Please ensure they have their lunch, plenty to drink, warm clothing and spending money at your discretion. Please phone the school office if you did not receive a form and would like your child to attend. Hangi orders must also be in by Monday with the money please (\$8 per hangi).

Interschool Cross Country

Consents were issued today for return by 18 August. Parents will need to transport (or arrange transport) for your own child(ren). Any questions in the run up to Mr D please.

Join Our Facebook Page

Any of our school families who are interested in activities that explore Te Ao Maori are welcome to join Matarau Whanau page. It is a closed group to ensure any videos and photos shared by page members are not in the public domain. We are currently looking at planning some activities for Term 4, sharing Te Reo, community events and knowledge about Maori.

Vegetarian sausages

Thanks for your patience. We have almost secured an affordable long term supply of vegetarian sausages and are hopeful that we might even have these by next Wednesday. To be sure, you might like to contact our office on Tuesday for a definite. These are made from tofu, not hydrolysed soy and are gluten free.

Term Headlice Inspection

All parents are asked to please check their children's hair weekly so that we stay on top of this problem.

Lost Property

.. heading for a charity if not claimed next week. Please feel free to drop by for a look.

Home Gardens

Expression of interest forms were sent home this week. If your child did not receive one and would like one, please see Mrs Abbott or the office.

Trivia Night

Our Trivia evening is Friday 5 September 2014 and we could really do with more helpers! Helping out is a great way to meet new people and have some fun while raising money for our school. If you can help with:

Friday morning - set up and decoration

Friday evening - serving and bar

Saturday - clean up

Please email donna@digitype.co.nz, or come to our **next meeting (Wednesday 6 August 3.15 in the school library)**, There will be a meeting the following week at 7pm for those who work during the day,

Also if you know anyone who you think might be interested in sponsorship/prizes or if you are someone who runs a business in the area and would like to support the school in return for advertising to the locals please get in touch.

Calf Club Trophies

If you received a trophy for Calf Club Day at last year's prizegiving could you please return to the school office.

Any trophies from central day can be brought into the school office where they will be collected and returned to Central Day organisers.

International Schools Mathematics Competitions

A reminder that this exam is scheduled for 12 August. Final practice papers were issued today.

Matarau Hockey

Well done to the following "Player of the Day"



Demetrius Oppert

Te Reo Phrase of the Week

Homai te pene. Give me the pen. You can add other words to Homai te... to make other sentences. Homai te pukapuka - give me the book. Homai te raapa - Give me the eraser.

Finally

Final thoughts this week are of a fantastic Cross Country event. Congratulations to children who, without exception, ran their hearts out, parents for your support on the day, staff for the extra hours invested in organisation and set up, the Rickey's for their sponsorship and the Holwel's for the use of their farm. A real team effort.

Why did the hedgehog jump in the water?

- because he thought he was a kina

Greah Seuren (Room 4)

Why was Cinderella no good at football?

- because her coach was a pumpkin

Susie Finlayson (Room 4)

Regards

Kevin Trehwella
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Community Notices

"Ecosolutions" will be running a compost and wormfarming workshop on 14th August From 10am – 12 at Deb Horne's home 443 Matarau Rd.

This practical workshop will teach the basics of composting and wormfarming and will help to troubleshoot any issues you are having with your household compost.

Help minimise the amount of organic waste going to landfill and create a beneficial addition for your garden at the same time.

\$10 per person, spaces are limited so please call Anton on 027 254 0042 / 438 8710 to book your seat.

For Rent - Modern 3 double bedrm house with double garage in Carr St, Kamo. Close to shops and schools. \$390 pw. Phone Coen 0211607513.

Wanted to Rent - 3 bedrm house, with a fire place and a bit of land. Please phone Sara 021 418 801

Whangarei Academy of Dance & Performing Arts (WADPA) are a dance school offering classes for all children from 3-18 years. With over 35 years teaching dance to the local community, offering classes in Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Acrobatic, contemporary, Gym, Tumbling, conditioning and Musical Theatre. All teachers are fully registered. For more info check out our website www.love2dance.co.nz email info@love2dance.co.nz or pop into our new premises at 29 Commerce st

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An exciting new dance school has started teaching ballet, jazz, contemporary and pilates with classes to match all ages and stages. Our philosophy is to provide excellent tuition and technique with building self esteem and having fun. Visit our website www.justdance.biz or phone Carla Bedford on 02102357440

Table Tennis – Tuesdays 3.30pm-5.30pm Terms 2 & 3. Table Tennis Centre, Kensington, Soft soled shoes must be worn. Bats available to hire or buy or bring your own. Annual Sub \$40 or \$2 per session. Enquiries phone Brent Davies 094027695

Royal New Zealand Navy Band – 9th August, Forum North, 7pm, featuring NZ Vocalist Rebecca Nelson, \$220 Adults, \$18 Seniors, \$5 Children/Students. Door sales available from The Turner Centre, Forum North.

Calf Club Day - 23 October 2014

A reminder - you need to start thinking now if your child/ren want to rear calves and lambs. Calves and lambs must be born after 1st July 2014. Calves are judged on rearing and leading. Lambs are judged on rearing, leading & calling.

If you would like your child to have a lamb to train & bring to calf club please contact the office as we may have a contact for someone who does this.



You can also bring a 'pet' which can include - goats (kids), cats, rabbits, guinea pigs, fish, chicken etc. Note that NO DOGS or PUPPIES are permitted and the animal will need to be in a cage for the duration of the day.

Please do not bring pregnant animals or newborns on the day as this could put them under stress that would not be good for their health. Also please make sure you bring along food and water for your animals as it can be a long day for them especially if it is sunny and hot.

We are looking at bringing back a Goat section if there is enough interest from families so if interested in rearing goats please advise Cassandra at grant.cass@slingshot.co.nz or Michelle and Steve tractormartin1@vodafone.co.nz We need to know numbers as soon as possible to see whether it viable or not so please email us. Michelle has a contact for goats if you want one so please contact her on above email. If not enough numbers for a separate section Goats will be included in the pet section.

A booklet will be handed out to children bringing a pet (not for lambs or calves) two weeks prior to the September holidays and needs to be completed and returned to school on the first Monday of term - 13th October. The booklet will be judged by independent judges. We need to give the Pet Judge enough time to look at your booklets before the day so any booklets not handed early in the week will not be eligible to be judged for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, Reserve Champion or Champion pet.

There will be further updates closer to the end of term. To assist you with selection, care and training of your pet, please check out the following website www.calfclub.co.nz or Calf and lamb rearing books are available from the office for those children unsure of what the judges look for on the day.

MIDDLE/SENIOR PRODUCTION 2014

This term the Middle and Senior School will be performing an original production "The Wizard of Middle Earth". We are well into production practice and would love some community support.

Rachael Robertson is in charge of our costume design team and would love volunteers of any and all **sewing** ability to assist her.

Jo Gunson who is our Artist extraordinaire needs **cardboard** for prop creation.

If you feel you can assist please contact Rachael at rrobertson@matarau.school.nz and Jo at jgunson@matarau.school.nz

Feathers Wanted

Long feathers, turkey tail feathers are ideal, for kapa haka portion of the production performance. Please bring to the office.

*Evening performances are 22nd and 23rd September
with a matinee on the 23rd as well.*

Any other inquiries to Simon Schuster at sschuster@matarau.school.nz
Alternatively please call us at school or drop by.

Trivia Night

Friday 5 September 2014

**Tickets on sale from the Office now
\$25 per person or \$120 for a table of 6**

